HOUSE BILL NO. 4327

March 23, 2023, Introduced by Reps. Arbit and Steckloff and referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

A bill to amend 1976 PA 453, entitled "Elliott-Larsen civil rights act,"

by amending the title and sections 102, 103, 202, 203, 204, 205, 206, 207, 209, 210, 301, 302, 302a, 402, 501, 502, 504, 505, 506, and 507 (MCL 37.2102, 37.2103, 37.2202, 37.2203, 37.2204, 37.2205, 37.2206, 37.2207, 37.2209, 37.2210, 37.2301, 37.2302, 37.2302a, 37.2402, 37.2501, 37.2502, 37.2504, 37.2505, 37.2506, and 37.2507), the title as amended by 1992 PA 258, sections 102, 502, 504, 505, and 506 as amended by 1992 PA 124, sections 103 and 301 as amended by 1999 PA 202, section 202 as amended by 2009 PA 190, section 302a as added by 1992 PA 70, and section 402 as amended by 1993 PA 216.

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF MICHIGAN ENACT:

1 TITLE

parts of acts.

An act to define civil rights; to prohibit discriminatory practices, policies, and customs in the exercise of those rights based upon religion, race, ethnicity, color, national origin, age, sex, height, weight, familial status, or marital status; to preserve the confidentiality of records regarding arrest, detention, or other disposition in which a conviction does not result; to prescribe the powers and duties of the civil rights commission and the department of civil rights; to provide remedies and penalties; to provide for fees; and to repeal certain acts and

Sec. 102. (1) The opportunity to obtain employment, housing and other real estate, and the full and equal utilization of public accommodations, public service, and educational facilities without discrimination because of religion, race, ethnicity, color, national origin, age, sex, height, weight, familial status, or marital status as prohibited by this act, is recognized and declared to be a civil right.

- (2) This section shall does not be construed to prevent an individual from bringing or continuing an action arising out of sex discrimination before July 18, 1980 which action is for a claim based on conduct similar to or identical to harassment.
- (3) This section shall does not be construed to prevent an individual from bringing or continuing an action arising out of discrimination based on familial status before the effective date of the amendatory act that added this subsection which action is June 29, 1992 for a claim based on conduct similar to or identical to discrimination because of the age of persons anyone residing

- 1 with the individual bringing or continuing the action.
- 2 Sec. 103. As used in this act:

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- 3 (a) "Age" means chronological age except as otherwise provided4 by law.
- 5 (b) "Commission" means the civil rights commission established6 by section 29 of article V of the state constitution of 1963.
 - (c) "Commissioner" means a member of the commission.
- 8 (d) "Department" means the department of civil rights or its9 employees.
 - (e) "Ethnicity" means a grouping of people who identify with each other on the basis of shared attributes such as common traditions, culture, religion, ancestry, nationality, language, history, or social treatment.
- (f) (e)—"Familial status" means 1 or more individuals under
 the age of 18 residing with a parent or other person having custody
 or in the process of securing legal custody of the individual or
 individuals or residing with the designee of the parent or other
 person having or securing custody, with the written permission of
 the parent or other person. For purposes of this definition,
 "parent" includes a person an individual who is pregnant.
- 21 (g) $\frac{f}{f}$ "National origin" includes the national origin of an ancestor.
- (h) (g)—"Person" means an individual, agent, association,

 corporation, joint apprenticeship committee, joint stock company,

 labor organization, legal representative, mutual company,

 partnership, receiver, trust, trustee in bankruptcy, unincorporated

 organization, the this state or a political subdivision of the this

 state or an agency of the this state, or any other legal or

 commercial entity.

- (i) (h) "Political subdivision" means a county, city, village,
 township, school district, or special district or authority of the
 this state.
- 4 (j) (i) Discrimination because of sex includes sexual
 5 harassment. Sexual harassment means unwelcome sexual advances,
 6 requests for sexual favors, and other verbal or physical conduct or
 7 communication of a sexual nature under the following conditions:
 - (i) Submission to the conduct or communication is made a term or condition either explicitly or implicitly to obtain employment, public accommodations or public services, education, or housing.
- (ii) Submission to or rejection of the conduct or communication
 by an individual is used as a factor in decisions affecting the
 individual's employment, public accommodations or public services,
 education, or housing.
- 15 (iii) The conduct or communication has the purpose or effect of
 16 substantially interfering with an individual's employment, public
 17 accommodations or public services, education, or housing, or
 18 creating an intimidating, hostile, or offensive employment, public
 19 accommodations, public services, educational, or housing
 20 environment.
- (k) Subject to subparagraphs (ix) and (x), discrimination
 because of ethnicity includes, but is not limited to,
 discriminatory conduct or communication motivated in whole or in
 part by antisemitism, which means a perception of Jewish
 individuals that may be expressed in any of the ways described in
 subparagraphs (i) to (viii), as follows:
 - (i) Hatred of Jewish individuals.

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28 (ii) Severe disparagement of Jewish individuals or their 29 culture.

- 1 (iii) Rhetorical, violent, or physical anti-Jewish
- 2 manifestations directed against Jewish individuals or their
- 3 property or Jewish community institutions and religious facilities.
- 4 (iv) Aiding, encouraging, supporting, or justifying the
- 5 killing, harming, or defaming of anyone simply for practicing
- 6 Judaism or exhibiting a Jewish heritage.
- 7 (v) Making false and mendacious, dehumanizing, demonizing,
- 8 demeaning, or stereotypical allegations about Jewish individuals as
- 9 such or the power of Jewish individuals as a collective, including
- 10 allegations such as the myth about a world Jewish conspiracy or of
- 11 Jewish individuals controlling the media, economy, government, or
- 12 other societal institutions.
- 13 (vi) Accusing those practicing Judaism, or exhibiting a Jewish
- 14 heritage, whether singularly or collectively, as being wholly
- 15 responsible for any real or imagined wrongdoing committed by a
- 16 single Jewish individual or group.
- 17 (vii) Accusing those practicing Judaism, or exhibiting a Jewish
- 18 heritage, whether singularly or collectively, as being wholly
- 19 responsible for any real or imagined wrongdoing committed by the
- 20 State of Israel.
- 21 (viii) Accusing those practicing Judaism, or exhibiting a Jewish
- 22 heritage, whether singularly or collectively, as being more loyal
- 23 to Israel, or the alleged priorities of Jewish persons worldwide,
- 24 than to the interests of the people of this state, or to the
- 25 interests of the people of the United States.
- 26 (ix) Discrimination because of ethnicity in the form of
- 27 antisemitism does not include criticism of Israel similar to that
- 28 leveled against any other country.
- 29 (x) A finding of discrimination because of ethnicity in the

form of antisemitism does not preclude a finding of discrimination
on another basis such as religion, race, color, or national origin.

- 3 Sec. 202. (1) An employer shall not do any of the following:
- 4 (a) Fail or refuse to hire or recruit, discharge, or otherwise
- 5 discriminate against an individual with respect to employment,
- 6 compensation, or a term, condition, or privilege of employment,
- 7 because of religion, race, ethnicity, color, national origin, age,
- 8 sex, height, weight, or marital status.
- 9 (b) Limit, segregate, or classify an employee or applicant for
- 10 employment in a way that deprives or tends to deprive the employee
- or applicant of an employment opportunity —or otherwise adversely
- 12 affects the status of an the employee or applicant because of
- 13 religion, race, ethnicity, color, national origin, age, sex,
- 14 height, weight, or marital status.
- 15 (c) Segregate, classify, or otherwise discriminate against $\frac{a}{a}$
- 16 person an individual on the basis of sex with respect to a term,
- 17 condition, or privilege of employment, including, but not limited
- 18 to, a benefit plan or system.
- 19 (d) Treat an individual affected by pregnancy, childbirth, or
- 20 a related medical condition differently for any employment-related
- 21 purpose from another individual who is not so affected but similar
- 22 in ability or inability to work, without regard to the source of
- 23 any condition affecting the other individual's ability or inability
- 24 to work. For purposes of this subdivision, a medical condition
- 25 related to pregnancy or childbirth does not include nontherapeutic
- 26 abortion not intended to save the life of the mother.
- 27 (2) This section does not prohibit the establishment or
- 28 implementation of a bona fide retirement policy or system that is
- 29 not a subterfuge to evade the purposes of this section.

- (3) This section does not apply to the employment of an
 individual by his or her the individual's parent, spouse, or child.
- 3 Sec. 203. An employment agency shall not fail or refuse to
- 4 procure, refer, recruit, or place for employment, or otherwise
- 5 discriminate against, an individual because of religion, race,
- 6 ethnicity, color, national origin, age, sex, height, weight, or
- 7 marital status; or classify or refer for employment an individual
- 8 on the basis of religion, race, ethnicity, color, national origin,
- 9 age, sex, height, weight, or marital status.
- 10 Sec. 204. A labor organization shall not do any of the

11 following:

- 12 (a) Exclude or expel from membership, or otherwise
- 13 discriminate against, a member or applicant for membership because
- 14 of religion, race, ethnicity, color, national origin, age, sex,
- 15 height, weight, or marital status.
- 16 (b) Limit, segregate, or classify membership or applicants for
- 17 membership, or classify or fail or refuse to refer for employment
- 18 an individual in a way which that would deprive or tend to deprive
- 19 that individual of an employment opportunity, or which that would
- 20 limit an employment opportunity, or which that would adversely
- 21 affect wages, hours, or employment conditions, or otherwise
- 22 adversely affect the status of an employee or an applicant for
- 23 employment, because of religion, race, ethnicity, color, national
- 24 origin, age, sex, height, weight, or marital status.
- (c) Cause or attempt to cause an employer to violate this
- 26 article.
- 27 (d) Fail to fairly and adequately represent a member in a
- 28 grievance process because of religion, race, ethnicity, color,
- 29 national origin, age, sex, height, weight, or marital status.

- 1 Sec. 205. An employer, labor organization, or joint labor-
- 2 management committee controlling an apprenticeship, on the job, or
- 3 other training or retraining program, shall not discriminate
- 4 against an individual because of religion, race, ethnicity, color,
- 5 national origin, age, sex, height, weight, or marital status, in
- 6 admission to, or employment or continuation in, a program
- 7 established to provide apprenticeship on the job, or other training
- 8 or retraining.
- 9 Sec. 206. (1) An employer, labor organization, or employment
- 10 agency shall not print, circulate, post, mail, or otherwise cause
- 11 to be published a statement, advertisement, notice, or sign
- 12 relating to employment by the employer, or relating to membership
- in or a classification or referral for employment by the labor
- 14 organization, or relating to a classification or referral for
- 15 employment by the employment agency, which that indicates a
- 16 preference, limitation, specification, or discrimination, based on
- 17 religion, race, ethnicity, color, national origin, age, sex,
- 18 height, weight, or marital status.
- 19 (2) Except as permitted by rules promulgated by the commission
- 20 or by applicable federal law, an employer or employment agency
- 21 shall not do any of the following:
- 22 (a) Make or use a written or oral inquiry or form of
- 23 application that elicits or attempts to elicit information
- 24 concerning the religion, race, ethnicity, color, national origin,
- 25 age, sex, height, weight, or marital status of a prospective
- 26 employee.
- 27 (b) Make or keep a record of information described in
- 28 subdivision (a) or to disclose that information.
- 29 (c) Make or use a written or oral inquiry or form of

- 1 application that expresses a preference, limitation, specification,
- 2 or discrimination based on religion, race, ethnicity, color,
- 3 national origin, age, sex, height, weight, or marital status of a
- 4 prospective employee.
- 5 Sec. 207. An individual seeking employment shall not publish
- 6 or cause to be published a notice or advertisement that specifies
- 7 or indicates the individual's religion, race, ethnicity, color,
- 8 national origin, age, sex, height, weight, or marital status, or
- 9 expresses a preference, specification, limitation, or
- 10 discrimination as to the religion, race, ethnicity, color, national
- 11 origin, age, height, weight, sex, or marital status of a
- 12 prospective employer.
- Sec. 209. A contract to which the this state, a political
- 14 subdivision, or an agency thereof of this state or of a political
- 15 subdivision is a party shall must contain a covenant by the
- 16 contractor and his the contractor's subcontractors not to
- 17 discriminate against an employee or applicant for employment with
- 18 respect to hire, tenure, terms, conditions, or privileges of
- 19 employment, or a matter directly or indirectly related to
- 20 employment, because of race, ethnicity, color, religion, national
- 21 origin, age, sex, height, weight, or marital status. Breach of this
- 22 covenant may be regarded as a material breach of the contract.
- 23 Sec. 210. A person subject to this article may adopt and carry
- 24 out a plan to eliminate present effects of past discriminatory
- 25 practices or assure equal opportunity with respect to religion,
- 26 race, ethnicity, color, national origin, or sex if the plan is
- 27 filed with the commission under rules of the commission and the
- 28 commission approves the plan.
- Sec. 301. As used in this article:

- 1 (a) "Place of public accommodation" means a business, or an
- 2 educational, refreshment, entertainment, recreation, health, or
- 3 transportation facility, or institution of any kind, whether
- 4 licensed or not, whose goods, services, facilities, privileges,
- 5 advantages, or accommodations are extended, offered, sold, or
- 6 otherwise made available to the public. Place of public
- 7 accommodation also includes the facilities of the following private
- 8 clubs:
- 9 (i) A country club or golf club.
- 10 (ii) A boating or yachting club.
- 11 (iii) A sports or athletic club.
- 12 (iv) A dining club, except a dining club that in good faith
- 13 limits its membership to the members of a particular religion for
- 14 the purpose of furthering the teachings or principles of that
- 15 religion and not for the purpose of excluding individuals of a
- 16 particular gender, sex, race, ethnicity, or color.
- 17 (b) "Public service" means a public facility, department,
- 18 agency, board, or commission, owned, operated, or managed by or on
- 19 behalf of the this state, a political subdivision, or an agency
- 20 thereof of this state or a political subdivision, or a tax exempt
- 21 private agency established to provide service to the public, except
- 22 that public service does not include a state or county correctional
- 23 facility with respect to actions and decisions regarding an
- 24 individual serving a sentence of imprisonment.
- Sec. 302. Except where permitted by law, a person shall not do
- 26 any of the following:
- 27 (a) Deny an individual the full and equal enjoyment of the
- 28 goods, services, facilities, privileges, advantages, or
- 29 accommodations of a place of public accommodation or public service

- because of religion, race, ethnicity, color, national origin, age,sex, or marital status.
- 3 (b) Print, circulate, post, mail, or otherwise cause to be
- 4 published a statement, advertisement, notice, or sign which that
- 5 indicates that the full and equal enjoyment of the goods, services,
- 6 facilities, privileges, advantages, or accommodations of a place of
- 7 public accommodation or public service will be refused, withheld
- 8 from, or denied an individual because of religion, race, ethnicity,
- 9 color, national origin, age, sex, or marital status, or that an
- individual's patronage of or presence at a place of public
- 11 accommodation is objectionable, unwelcome, unacceptable, or
- 12 undesirable because of religion, race, ethnicity, color, national
- 13 origin, age, sex, or marital status.
- 14 Sec. 302a. (1) This section applies to a private club that is
- 15 defined as a place of public accommodation pursuant to under
- **16** section 301(a).
- 17 (2) If a private club allows use of its facilities by 1 or
- 18 more adults per membership, the use must be equally available to
- 19 all adults entitled to use the facilities under the membership. All
- 20 classes of membership shall must be available without regard to
- 21 race, ethnicity, color, gender, sex, religion, marital status, or
- 22 national origin. Memberships that permit use during restricted
- 23 times may be allowed only if the restricted times apply to all
- 24 adults using that membership.
- 25 (3) A private club that has food or beverage facilities or
- 26 services shall allow equal access to those facilities and services
- 27 for all adults in all membership categories at all times. This
- 28 subsection shall does not require service or access to facilities
- 29 to persons that would violate any law or ordinance regarding sale,

- 1 consumption, or regulation of alcoholic beverages.
- 2 (4) This section does not prohibit a private club from
- 3 sponsoring or permitting sports schools or leagues for children
- 4 less than 18 years of age that are limited by age or to members of
- 5 1 sex, if comparable and equally convenient access to the club's
- 6 facilities is made available to both sexes and if these activities
- 7 are not used as a subterfuge to evade the purposes of this article.
- 8 Sec. 402. An educational institution shall not do any of the
- 9 following:
- 10 (a) Discriminate against an individual in the full utilization
- 11 of or benefit from the institution, or the services, activities, or
- 12 programs provided by the institution because of religion, race,
- 13 ethnicity, color, national origin, or sex.
- 14 (b) Exclude, expel, limit, or otherwise discriminate against
- 15 an individual seeking admission as a student or an individual
- 16 enrolled as a student in the terms, conditions, or privileges of
- 17 the institution, because of religion, race, ethnicity, color,
- 18 national origin, or sex.
- 19 (c) For purposes of admission only, make or use a written or
- 20 oral inquiry or form of application that elicits or attempts to
- 21 elicit information concerning the religion, race, ethnicity, color,
- 22 national origin, age, sex, or marital status of a person, an
- 23 individual, except as permitted by rule of the commission or as
- 24 required by federal law, rule, or regulation, or pursuant to an
- 25 affirmative action program.
- 26 (d) Print or publish or cause to be printed or published a
- 27 catalog, notice, or advertisement indicating a preference,
- 28 limitation, specification, or discrimination based on the religion,
- 29 race, ethnicity, color, national origin, or sex of an applicant for

- 1 admission to the educational institution.
- 2 (e) Announce or follow a policy of denial or limitation
- 3 through a quota or otherwise of educational opportunities of a
- 4 group or its members because of religion, race, ethnicity, color,
- 5 national origin, or sex.
- 6 Sec. 501. As used in this article:
- 7 (a) "Real property" includes a building, structure, mobile
- 8 home, real estate, land, mobile home park, trailer park, tenement,
- 9 leasehold, or an interest in a real estate cooperative or
- 10 condominium.
- 11 (b) "Real estate transaction" means the sale, exchange,
- 12 rental, or lease of real property, or an interest therein.in real
- 13 property.
- 14 (c) "Housing accommodation" includes improved or unimproved
- 15 real property, or a part thereof, which of improved or unimproved
- 16 real property that is used or occupied, or is intended, arranged,
- 17 or designed to be used or occupied, as the home or residence of 1
- 18 or more persons.individuals.
- 19 (d) "Real estate broker or salesman"—salesperson" means a
- 20 person, whether licensed or not, who, for or with the expectation
- 21 of receiving a consideration, lists, sells, purchases, exchanges,
- 22 rents, or leases real property; who negotiates or attempts to
- 23 negotiate any of those activities; who holds himself oneself out as
- 24 engaged in those activities; who negotiates or attempts to
- 25 negotiate a loan secured or to be secured by a mortgage or other
- 26 encumbrance upon real property; who is engaged in the business of
- 27 listing real property in a publication; or a person employed by or
- 28 acting on behalf of a real estate broker or salesman.salesperson.
- Sec. 502. (1) A person engaging in a real estate transaction,

- 1 or a real estate broker or salesman, salesperson, shall not on the
- 2 basis of religion, race, ethnicity, color, national origin, age,
- 3 sex, familial status, or marital status of a person an individual
- 4 or a person anyone residing with that person:individual do any of
- 5 the following:
- 6 (a) Refuse to engage in a real estate transaction with a7 person.
- 8 (b) Discriminate against a person in the terms, conditions, or
- 9 privileges of a real estate transaction or in the furnishing of
- 10 facilities or services in connection with a real estate
- 11 transaction.
- (c) Refuse to receive from a person or transmit to a person a
- 13 bona fide offer to engage in a real estate transaction.
- 14 (d) Refuse to negotiate for a real estate transaction with a
- 15 person.
- (e) Represent to a person that real property is not available
- 17 for inspection, sale, rental, or lease when in fact it is so
- 18 available, or knowingly fail to bring a property listing to a
- 19 person's attention, or refuse to permit a person to inspect real
- 20 property, or otherwise make unavailable or deny real property to a
- 21 person.
- 22 (f) Make, print, circulate, post, mail, or otherwise cause to
- 23 be made or published a statement, advertisement, notice, or sign,
- 24 or use a form of application for a real estate transaction, or make
- 25 a record of inquiry in connection with a prospective real estate
- 26 transaction, which that indicates, directly or indirectly, an
- 27 intent to make a preference, limitation, specification, or
- 28 discrimination with respect to the real estate transaction.
- 29 (g) Offer, solicit, accept, use, or retain a listing of real

- 1 property with the understanding that a person may be discriminated
- 2 against in a real estate transaction or in the furnishing of
- 3 facilities or services in connection therewith.with that
- 4 transaction.
- (h) Discriminate against a person in the brokering orappraising of real property.
- 7 (2) A person shall not deny a person access to, or membership
- 8 or participation in, a multiple listing service, real estate
- 9 brokers' organization or other service, organization, or facility
- 10 relating to the business of selling or renting real property or to
- 11 discriminate against him or her the person in the terms or
- 12 conditions of that access, membership, or participation because of
- 13 religion, race, ethnicity, color, national origin, age, sex,
- 14 familial status, or marital status.
- 15 (3) This section is subject to section 503.
- 16 Sec. 504. (1) A person to whom application is made for
- 17 financial assistance or financing in connection with a real estate
- 18 transaction or in connection with the construction, rehabilitation,
- 19 repair, maintenance, or improvement of real property, or a
- 20 representative of that person, shall not do any of the following:
- 21 (a) Discriminate against the applicant because of the
- 22 religion, race, ethnicity, color, national origin, age, sex,
- 23 familial status, or marital status of the applicant or a person an
- 24 individual residing with the applicant.
- 25 (b) Use a form of application for financial assistance or
- 26 financing or make or keep a record or inquiry in connection with an
- 27 application for financial assistance or financing which that
- 28 indicates, directly or indirectly, a preference, limitation,
- 29 specification, or discrimination as to the religion, race,

- 1 ethnicity, color, national origin, age, sex, familial status, or
 2 marital status of the applicant or a person an individual residing
 3 with the applicant.
- (2) A person whose business includes engaging in real estate 4 5 transactions shall not discriminate against a person because of 6 religion, race, ethnicity, color, national origin, age, sex, 7 familial status, or marital status, in the purchasing of loans for 8 acquiring, constructing, improving, repairing, or maintaining a 9 dwelling or the in making or purchasing of loans or the provision 10 of providing other financial assistance secured by residential real 11 estate.
- (3) Subsection (1) (b) does not apply to a form of application for financial assistance prescribed for the use of a lender regulated as a mortgagee under the national housing act, chapter 847, 48 Stat. 1246 12 USC 1701 to 1750g, or by a regulatory board or officer acting under the statutory authority of this state or the United States.
- Sec. 505. (1) A condition, restriction, or prohibition, 18 19 including a right of entry or possibility of reverter, that 20 directly or indirectly limits the use or occupancy of real property on the basis of religion, race, ethnicity, color, national origin, 21 age, sex, familial status, or marital status is void, except a 22 23 limitation of use as provided in section 503(1)(c) or on the basis 24 of religion relating to real property held by a religious 25 institution or organization, or by a religious or charitable organization operated, supervised, or controlled by a religious 26 27 institution or organization, and used for religious or charitable 28 purposes.
- 29 (2) A person shall not insert in a written instrument relating

1 to real property a provision that is void under this section or

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- 2 honor such a provision in the chain of title.
- 3 Sec. 506. A person shall not represent, for the purpose of
- 4 inducing a real estate transaction from which the person may
- 5 benefit financially, that a change has occurred or will or may
- 6 occur in the composition with respect to religion, race, ethnicity,
- 7 color, national origin, age, sex, familial status, or marital
- 8 status of the owners or occupants in the block, neighborhood, or
- 9 area in which the real property is located, or represent that this
- 10 change will or may result in the lowering of property values, an
- 11 increase in criminal or antisocial behavior, or a decline in the
- 12 quality of schools in the block, neighborhood, or area in which the
- 13 real property is located.
- 14 Sec. 507. A person subject to this article may adopt and carry
- 15 out a plan to eliminate present effects of past discriminatory
- 16 practices or assure equal opportunity with respect to religion,
- 17 race, ethnicity, color, national origin, or sex if the plan is
- 18 filed with the commission under rules of the commission and the
- 19 commission approves the plan.
- 20 Enacting section 1. This amendatory act takes effect 90 days
- 21 after the date it is enacted into law.